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### TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing this date please find a Preliminary Amendment regarding the above-captioned patent application. Also enclosed herewith is a Certificate of First Class Mail and a return receipt postcard.

Respectfully submitted,

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### PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sirs:

Prior to the first examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 6 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.

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